

I have subscribed to Satellite radio for over a past year, driven away by the lousy choices offered by Clear Channel, et al, that have ruined the variety that once was available. Before changing over to XM, I was listening to Public Radio or just left the radio off. I still listen to Public Radio, but when I want music I switch to XM. The advantage for me of the XM traffic and weather station is that I don't have to put up with listening to the stupid babbling the morning personalities do on the broadcast stations, in order to catch the latest info on traffic jams. I don't see how satellite radio's local traffic/weather stations differ from weather info available on cable TV.

I am particularly puzzled by the NAB petition as for those who want to listen to the bland drivel on broadcast radio, can easily switch back and forth between satellite and broadcast with a simple push of a button.

I urge you to support competition and reject the NAB petition.

-David Barbour